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information about available system fonts, for evaluating characters of the message to match against the linked list and for traversing the linked list to output the characters of the message; and

a printer interface, connected to the processor unit, to output the characters of the message to the printer by traversing the linked list.

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(Twice Amended) A system for evaluating characters in a message to output to a printer, comprising:

processor means for creating a linked list of structures containing categories of information about available system fonts, for evaluating characters of the message to match against the linked list and for traversing the linked list to output the characters of the message; and

printer output interface means, connected to the processor means, to output the characters of the message to the printer by traversing the linked list.

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(Twice Amended) A storage medium for storing machine readable code, the machine readable code being executable to select a font to output a message to a printer according to the method comprising:

creating a linked list of structures containing categories of information about available system fonts;

evaluating characters of the message to match against the linked list; and traversing the linked list to output the characters of the message.